Patent Attorney Docket No. <u>1033528-000001</u>



IN THE NITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of) MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Erin J. Lindsay) Group Art Unit: 3731
Application No.: 10/614,183	Examiner: Marlee C. Foster
Filing Date: July 8, 2003) Confirmation No.: 7109
Title: VEIN DISSECTOR, CAUTERIZING AND LIGATING APPARATUS FOR ENDOSCOPIC))))

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

A Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed.

Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$65 \$130 fee per Disclaimer due

under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed.
Also enclosed is/are:
Small entity status is hereby claimed.
Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$\square\$ \$ 395 \$\square\$ \$ 790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.
Applicant(s) previously submitted on for which continued examination is requested.
Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i is enclosed.
A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a)

(1809/2809) is also enclosed.

\boxtimes	No additional claim fee is required.
	An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

		AMENDE	D CLAIMS			
	No. of Claims	Highest No. of Claims Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Rate	Additio	nal Fee
Total Claims	13	20	0	x \$ 50 (1202)	\$	0
Independent Claims	2	3	0	x \$ 200 (1201)		0
☐ If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)					\$	0
Total Claim Amendment Fee				\$	0	
☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					0	
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT				\$	0	

	Charge	to Deposit Account No. 02-48	300 for the fee due.
	A check in the amount of	is enclosed	for the fee due.
	Charge	to credit card for the fee due.	Form PTO-2038 is attached.
\boxtimes	37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 a	othorized to charge any approp and 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may l at, to Deposit Account No. 02-4	be required by this paper, and

Respectfully submitted,

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